

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Nikiski

Nikiski is an unincorporated CDP located on the Kenai Peninsula, about 9 miles north of the city of Kenai, off of the Sterling Highway. It is also known as Port Nikiski and Nikishka. Nikiski is part of the Kenai Peninsula Borough.

- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 4,406, a gain of about 79 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 57 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ♦ Natural Resources and Mining was the main industry in 2008, employing 20 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Roustabouts, Oil and Gas than any other occupation.

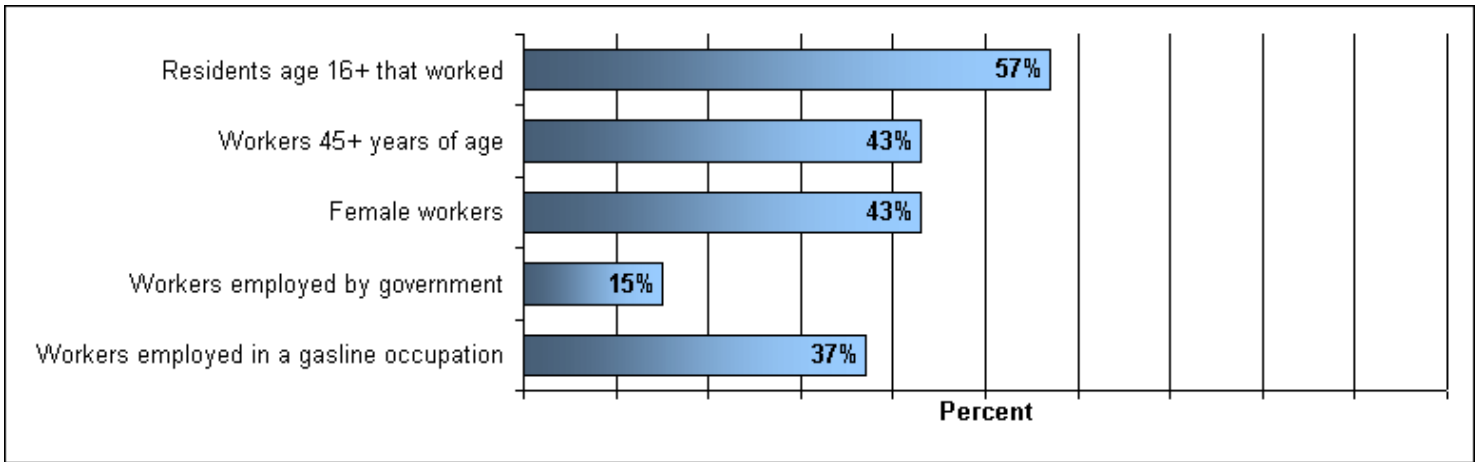
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Nikiski Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	3,298	Total wages	\$77,652,788
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	1,896	Private	1,606
Male	1,084	State government	66
Female	812	Local government	224
Age 45+	817	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	570	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	1,657
		Percent working all 4 quarters	67.8%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	305	Some construction	386
		At least 1 year construction	198
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	122
New hires	710	Worked in an AGIA occupation	1,413

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2008 Residents

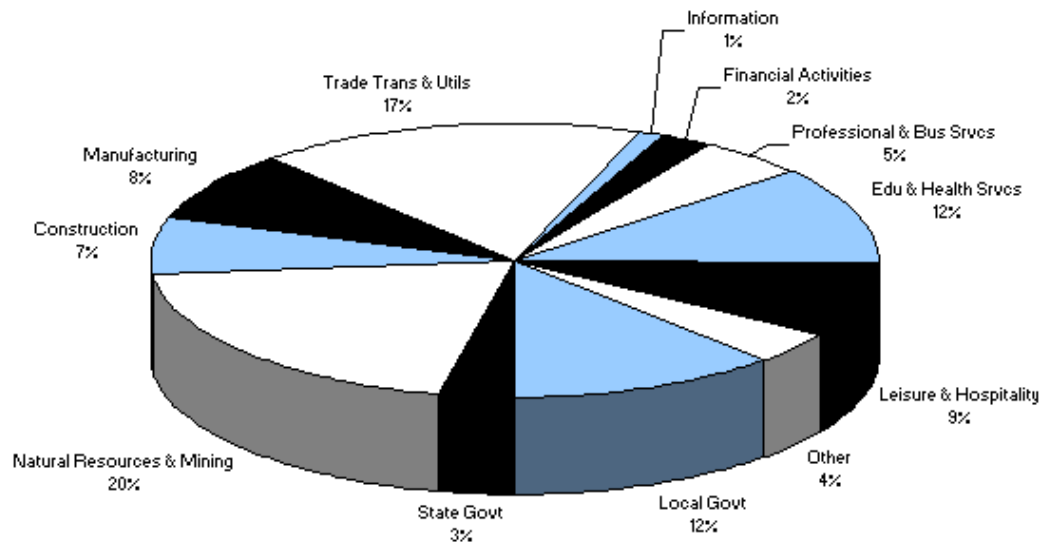


Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Roustabouts, Oil and Gas	70	2.9%	14	9
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	64	59.4%	39	27
Office Clerks, General AGIA	52	61.5%	26	21
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	47	36.2%	13	10
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	44	13.6%	13	13
Personal and Home Care Aides	44	90.9%	15	10
Cashiers	43	74.4%	15	7
Home Health Aides	41	68.3%	17	15
Retail Salespersons	38	63.2%	13	7
Service Unit Operators, Oil, Gas, and Mining	33	3.0%	18	12
Waiters and Waitresses	33	90.9%	1	0
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	29	6.9%	18	13
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	29	10.3%	10	7
Production Workers, All Other	28	7.1%	21	17
Electricians AGIA HOT JOB	27	0.0%	13	9
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers AGIA	26	3.8%	15	12
Social and Human Service Assistants	25	84.0%	8	6
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	23	0.0%	15	11
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	22	86.4%	9	6
Receptionists and Information Clerks AGIA	21	100.0%	11	7
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer AGIA HOT JOB	21	4.8%	13	9

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	379	9.2%	181	127
Construction	126	11.9%	53	42
Manufacturing	155	27.7%	69	47
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	327	42.2%	140	96
Information	19	47.4%	6	4
Financial Activities	45	42.2%	16	10
Professional and Business Services	88	46.6%	45	30
Educational and Health Services	218	85.3%	98	73
Leisure and Hospitality	172	66.9%	37	21
State Government	66	56.1%	34	27
Local Government	224	58.5%	113	75
Other	71	57.7%	25	18
Unknown	6	33.3%	0	0

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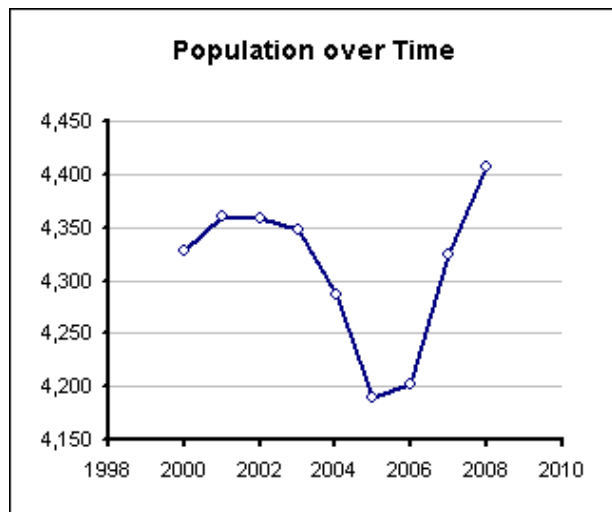
Recent Unemployment Statistics

	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	65	76	91	116

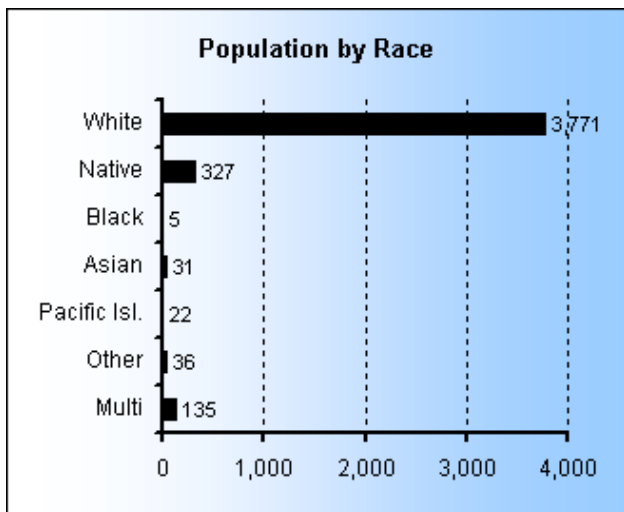
**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Kenai Peninsula Borough School
ASRC Energy Services O&M Inc
Kenai Peninsula Borough
Peak Oilfield Svc Co
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Tesoro AKN Petro Corp
Central Peninsula General Hospital
Veco Alaska Inc
Ocean Beauty Seafoods LLC
Udelhoven Oilfield System SVC



2000 Census	
Median Age	34.2
Average Family Size	3.3
Average Household Size	2.9
Per Capita Income	\$20,128
Median Family Income	\$55,969
Median Household Income	\$51,176



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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